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## FIRE STOPS WORK OF RESCUERS IN MINES AT MONONGAH

**Blaze Springs Up in Mine No 8, Sunday Afternoon and Sends all Rescuers From the Shaft--This Morning, the Fire was Under Control and Work is Resumed.**

**Sunday was indeed a Day of Sadness in the District--There is no Suffering Among the Families of the Unfortunate Men, but a Call for Relief Will be Made to Prevent Suffering--Bishop Donohue Arrives on the Scene and Takes Charge of the Work of Caring for the Widows and Children--One Hundred More Bodies May be Recovered Today.**

Monongah, W. Va., Dec. 9.—The fire which broke out in the Monongah mine No. 8 yesterday, stopping the rescue work, was put out this morning and the rescuers went back into the mine. By 9 o'clock this morning eight more bodies had been taken out, bringing the total number up to 51. If there are no more fires, the rescuers expect to recover at least 100 bodies today.

There is no more room in the morgue and the bodies are being prepared for burial at the mouth of the mine.

Bishop Donohue, of the Catholic diocese of Wheeling, is here and has assumed charge of the work of caring for the widows and orphans. He is endeavoring to arrange some permanent plans for the future.

Guards have been placed about Monongah, and the town is practically under martial law, though good order has prevailed.

There is no present need of food. There will be need of clothing before long, however, and appeals for aid will be issued.

Monongah, W. Va., Dec. 9.—With fire raging in mine No. 8 and mine No. 9 menaced by another explosion all attempts to reach and bring to the surface the bodies of the 350 or more employees of the Fairmont Coal company which still remains in the mines, victims of the awful explosion of Friday, were abandoned last night. The fire was discovered about 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon and at dark it was believed to be under control and that it had done but little damage.

After permitting the rescuers to reenter the remote workings, however, the experts of the federal government and the state of Virginia made an inspection, the result of which was the order to stop the

exploration of the two mines for the night.

No bodies have been recovered since six o'clock, when a total of 53 had been brought to the surface. At this time, while the death list is estimated by the company at about 391, there is no doubt in the minds of the majority of miners employed in this district that the fatalities will far exceed that number.

W. A. Moore mayor of Monongah, has issued an appeal to the people of West Virginia for aid for the sufferers.

A thorough investigation was made by the company Sunday and it was discovered that many miners believed to have been entombed escaped because they had not gone to work Friday, after Thursday's holiday.

A score or more of these men reported to the officials during the past 24 hours.

Shortly after 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon fire broke out again in mine No. 8 and the rescuers were at once ordered to the surface.

Thousands of sightseers from the surrounding towns had gathered about the openings. Through megaphones the crowd were notified of the fire and the danger of another explosion but they refused to leave and it was with great difficulty that the special police, assisted by many miners, forced these people to places of safety.

Efforts were then directed toward extinguishing the fire and it is thought it will be subdued within a few hours, when the work of rescue will again be taken up. It was said by members of the rescuing party that over 100 bodies have been located in both mines

and that they will be brought to the surface as soon as the fire has been extinguished. It is not believed the fire will reach any of these bodies.

Clarence Hall of Washington a government mine expert, arrived at Monongah yesterday. With Chief Mine Inspector J. W. Paul of West Virginia, Mr. Hall sent the entire day at the mines. He will remain here until he can make a thorough investigation of the disaster, when he will return to Washington and report to the government. Since inaugurating the plan of having a representative of the national government investigate the mine explosions of the country, Mr. Hall has studied the accident at the Naom mines, at Fayette City, Pa., and before he had sufficient time to report on that one, he was called to Monongah to investigate the greatest mine disaster that ever occurred in America. The reports of both Mr. Hall and Inspector Paul as to the cause are awaited with great interest.

The system of rescue work is almost perfectly organized and excellent results are obtained.

About 25 more bodies were recovered during Sunday morning and early afternoon.

It is not known just how long a man can stay in the foul air of the mines, and relays of 15 minutes have been provided. With clock-like precision the relief appears, and good progress was made all day until halted by the fire.

The following statement was issued last night by President C. W. Watson of the Fairmont Coal company:

"Work of recovering the bodies is being pushed along with safety. All the shifts at mine No. 8 have been taken out and rescue work stopped, pending an examination of mine No. 8. These steps are taken."

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## OHIO MINE OFFICIALS SENT TO MONONGAH

Columbus, O., Dec. 9.—Governor Harris is sending Chief State Mine Inspector, George Harrison, and all his deputies to Monongah, West Virginia, to make careful investigation of the circumstances surrounding the explosion there to avoid a repetition in Ohio.

## THREE IN THE RACE

**Cleveland Chicago and Denver Probably Get the Convention.**

Washington, Dec. 9.—Cleveland, Louisville, Chicago and Denver are entered in the race for the democratic National Convention, to be run the latter part of this week, when members of the Democratic National Committee meet here to choose the time and place. Present indications are that Louisville will be scratched, leaving only Cleveland, Chicago and Denver.

Mayor Tom L. Johnson will be the jockey in charge of Cleveland's boom. The general feeling is that the Democratic convention should be held after the Republican.

## BARCUS IS WILLIN'

**Record Herald Says Roosevelt will Accept Third Term Nomination.**

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 9.—Walter Wellman, the Washington correspondent in the Record Herald today, declares that he is able to say, "from accurate information," that President Roosevelt will accept a third term in the event of the Taft boom falling.

## OSCAR'S POLICIES

**Will Probably not be Changed by Sweden's New King.**

Stockholm, Sweden, Dec. 9.—Gustav, the new king of Sweden, is in conference with members of his ministry, today, preparing a formal proclamation to be issued to his people. No change is anticipated from King Oscar's policies.

Deepest grief prevails throughout the country. No date has been set for the coronation of the new king, who took the oath of office immediately following his father's death.

## FORAKER WILL FIGHT SATER'S CONFIRMATION

Washington, Dec. 9.—The nomination of Judge Sater, to be the

## TAFT MEN PICK HARRIS FOR FORAKER'S SUCCESSOR

**They Believe the Choice of the Present Governor Would Silence Factional Fights and at the Same Time Give Strength to Whole Ticket in the Coming Campaign.**

**Taft's Managers Will Doubtlessly Urge the Enactment of a Direct Primary Law by the Next General Assembly and Hope Two Tickets Will be Placed in the Field, One a Taft and the Other a Foraker, in Order to Test the Strength of the Two--Ex-Governor Herrick Talks on the Situation.**

Washington, Dec. 9.—The disposition of the Taft managers is plainly either to endorse Gov. Andrew L. Harris for Senator Foraker's seat, or avoid any endorsement by the coming state convention. To neglect an endorsement would be to defy tradition and the resolutions adopted by the Dayton convention, but it would permit escape from what is fast growing to be a real embarrassment.

Harry Daugherty's formal announcement of his candidacy for Foraker's seat, illustrates the problem confronting Vorys, Charles P. Taft and the secretary of war, for they know that Congressman Burton has more or less of a notion to run against Foraker if conditions are favorable. Gen. J. Warren Keifer would like to be a candidate. Former Congressman Campbell from the northwest, is one. "Nick" Longworth is suspected of holding ambitions.

It would not be for the interest of Taft's candidacy in Ohio for his managers to make a selection among the active supporters of his, all of whom have claims. Nor would it help matters to let them get up a sharp fight among themselves inside the Taft lines.

If an endorsement is neglected this sort of trouble would be avoided, but the Republicans would have no senate candidate. Moreover, only a positive endorsement of another candidate would effectively bar Foraker's return. The McKisson attempt to disregard such a state convention endorsement demonstrated what certain political death awaits the men associated in such a rebellion.

If Governor Harris is endorsed, however, so many of the Taft men reason, the younger candidates will accept it, not as a defeat for them, but a comparatively short postponement of their fight for the senate seat. Many of them would welcome such a postponement.

Additional Federal judge for the South District of Ohio, was today held up at the session of the senate committee on Judiciary. This action was taken on request of Senator Foraker who it is understood will fight the judge's confirmation.

Warren, O., Dec. 9.—Judge Roberts, this morning, discharged the Kinsman jury, the foreman having reported that the jurors were unable to agree. Alfred Kinsman killed Banker George Birrell.

The trial, just concluded, was on the question of Kinsman's sanity and the jury deadlocked, standing five to seven in favor of insanity. Another trial on the same plea will start December 16th.

ment for two or three years. And it is believed that placing Gov. Harris at the head of the actual party ticket, if not the printed ballot, would strengthen the party line and do much to defeat any senatorial desire to use the factional knives.

Arthur I. Vorys, Congressman Burton and Wade H. Ellis, the attorney general, spent most of yesterday in a study of the existing Ohio primary laws. What they found, or rather what they did not find, seems to have strengthened their purpose to urge the enactment of a real primary law by the Ohio legislature soon after it convenes. Meanwhile all the Taft managers are working on the form of the call to be issued by the state central committee in case the contest for state convention delegates must proceed under the existing acts.

What the Taft managers would like to have would be two delegate tickets in each county, one plainly marked with the name of Taft and the other with that of Foraker. What they actually find is an apparent requirement to run all the candidates for state convention delegates together on one long ticket, in one column, without special marks. Of course, this is to the interests of the senatorial purpose to secure the election of at least a few delegates in counties where they are not strong.

Men whose names were toward the head of the list, and popular men, would stand good chances of selection in such a scramble irrespective of what they stood for. The present primary law leaves

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## ANOTHER WEEK OF GRATIFYING RECOVERY

**Henry Clews Write of the Financial Situation in New York Saying That the Past Seven Days Have Been Productive of a Very Much Better Feeling in Financial Circles.**

New York, December 9.—Another week of gratifying recovery has been experienced, and since the panic security values show an advance of 10 points and over on the leading issues. In bonds, as well as stocks, there have been substantial gains, and the whole drift of the financial situation shows genuine recuperation. The premium on currency is gradually disappearing and call money is becoming more and more easy, rates having touched as low as 3 per cent. during the week. Time money continues scarce at 10 to 12 per cent. for short dates; not so much from any deficiency in supply, as from the conservative attitude of the banks, which are still obliged to exercise caution in the granting of credit. Gradually, but surely the money market is working back to normal conditions. The disposition to hoard is abating and bank reserves are rising, having been materially assisted by the engagement of about \$100,000,000 of gold, the bulk of which has already arrived. Fortunately our interior banks are rapidly getting over their fright now that the situation in New York is improving, and within a few weeks, money will probably be abundant and much easier than at present. There is no lack of currency. The amount of circulation on November 30th was \$2,876,000,000, an increase of nearly \$132,000,000 within the month, and \$139,000,000 within twelve months. This is a circulation per capita of \$34.71 compared with \$32.42 a year ago. Of the increase in circulation during November \$66,000,000 was in gold coin and \$53,000,000 in bank notes. November was thus a month of unusual expansion in currency. Considering the lessened volume of business and the lower prices at which it is being transacted, it is evident that we are rapidly running into a condition of monetary redundancy; a fact which has been wisely recognized by the Government, and is reflected in its decision to modify its recent relief measures. It is now believed that Mr. Cortelyou will not issue more

than \$25,000,000 of Panama bonds, and that the issue of new certificates will not exceed \$15,000,000, or a total of about \$40,000,000 for both classes of securities instead of \$150,000,000 as originally intended. From all parts of the country there come reports of steady improvement in the money situation, and it is confidently believed that the complete resumption of specie payments is only a matter of comparatively short period.

There has been a distinctly more hopeful feeling in Stock Exchange circles; although following the rapid advance last week, more or less realizing is about due. Speculative operations are, of course, restricted and likely to be until interest rates decline to a more normal level. Thus far the revival has been quicker and more complete than was anticipated. Buying power is of necessity limited, and time will be necessary for further recuperation. Now that the disturbance has subsided in Wall Street, general business is also recovering from the shock administered last October. Mills temporarily shut down owing to the monetary stringency are restarting, and merchants are conducting their operations extending into the future with visibly greater confidence than a month ago. It is not to be expected that business will go back to the old scale of activity and profits. Nevertheless, business conditions are generally sound; and we now see no reasons for serious apprehensions in this respect. Quite possibly some further decline in the commodity markets will have to be experienced, and this will prove inconvenient to concerns already overextended; but no serious curtailment in the consumption of the necessities of life seems probable and the reaction will fall chiefly upon what may be classed as luxuries, which are largely obtained from abroad and already show a marked decline in importations. A shrinkage in imports, however, under present conditions will not be harmful, since it promises to be accompanied by a corresponding decrease in exports. Mr. Cortelyou will not issue more

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## VETERAN OHIO DEMOCRAT DIES VERY SUDDENLY

**Joseph H. Outhwaite Who Served in Congress for Five Consecutive Terms, Succumbs to Pneumonia--Cold Contracted Ten Days Ago Develops the Disease Which Proves Fatal--Was a Member of the First Congress Under President Cleveland.**

Columbus, O., Dec. 9.—Joseph H. Outhwaite, for five consecutive terms a member of the national house of representatives from Ohio; for a quarter of a century one of the most eminent Democrats and attorneys in the state; friend of Grover Cleveland, and having an intimate acquaintance with all the older leaders of his party, died at his residence, 447 East Broad street, at 12:30 Monday morning of pneumonia, which attacked him suddenly and progressed to its fatal culmination with great swiftness. The suddenness of his death has fairly prostrated the members of his family.

His ailment developed no alarming symptoms until Friday, and as late as 10 o'clock last night the physicians who attended him, had no hope that he would recover, although it was recognized that the worst was probable, and the members of his family constantly surrounded his sick bed.

About ten days ago Mr. Outhwaite was general of the state.

He returned from a business trip to New York, complaining of a cold which he caught there. He attended to his regular affairs, and last Tuesday lectured to his class at Ohio State University Law school, of which he was dean.

He had to wait some time at the transfer point for a street car to take him home, after returning down town from the university. When Mr. Outhwaite reached home he had a chill and went to bed. His condition improved and Thursday evening, his 66th birthday, he ate dinner with the family. The next day pneumonia developed, and his condition gradually became worse.

Mr. Outhwaite was first elected to congress in 1884, and took his seat in 1885, with the inauguration of President Grover Cleveland. His service continued through the first congress of Cleveland's second term, the last in which his party has had a majority. Mr. Outhwaite succeeded the late George Converse and was defeated in 1894 by D. K. Watson, who had just retired as at-

NEPTUNE: "WHAT WAS IT THAT JUST WENT BY?"

